

UNCLE JERRY RUSK

And what He Says of Jerry Simpson's Resolution.

THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

Is All Right--The More Its Workings are Investigated the Better They will be Appreciated--Mr. Simpson's Supreme Indifference--A Time-Worn Accusation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.--There was no evidence of discomposure at the agricultural department to-day because of the attack made upon the department by Representative Jerry Simpson. Business was moving along with its customary celerity in spite of the fact that the statesman from Medicine Lodge had introduced in the house the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, the department of agriculture has come to that degree of national importance that its head official has reached the dignified position of a cabinet officer, and hence a constitutional adviser of the President; and

"WHEREAS, President Harrison, in his late message to Congress, in referring to this branch of the public service, said: 'If the establishment of the department of agriculture was regarded by any one as a mere concession to the unenlightened demands of a worthy class of people that impression has been most effectually removed by the great results already attained; and

"WHEREAS, There may have arisen in the minds of several of that 'worthy class of people' known as tillers of the soil grave doubts concerning 'the great results already attained' in the interest of American agriculture, by this department, by reason of a belief, more or less prevalent, that presumed authoritative data concerning crops, growing or harvested, has been furnished to boards of trade, chambers of commerce and conventional grain dealers, who may be characterized as 'market wreckers' and as operators in 'futures,' prior to the conveyance of this knowledge to the toiling husbandman; by reason, also, of a quiet considerable impression that obtains, that garden seeds are purchased for the purpose of distribution among the farmers of the land that were grown so long ago that they are destitute of proper germinating qualities; and further, by reason of an extensive feeling in the mind of the general public that is practically interested in agricultural pursuits that the department is made a harbor for a large number of employees because of political considerations and influences inimical to the public weal. Therefore, be it

"Resolved, That a committee of five members of the house of representatives be appointed by the speaker for the purpose of inquiring into the condition of the department and of all matters relating to it that have a bearing upon the things above referred to and stand connected with a clear, economical, honest and just administration of its affairs. Said committee shall be granted power and authority to send for persons and papers, to employ a clerk, to administer oaths, to take testimony, and when their investigations are ended they shall report their conclusions to this house."

Secretary Rusk was looking at the resolution, as printed in the Congressional Record, when a reporter saw him. In reply to the question as to what he thought of the resolution, the secretary said:

"All I have to say about the resolution of Mr. Simpson, to which you call my attention, is that I heartily welcome anything which will compel members of Congress to learn more about this department than many of them now do. I should be glad for my own sake, for the department's interest and for the sake of the farmers, to have the workings of this department more thoroughly understood and appreciated by members of Congress and our citizens generally than they are. Singularly enough, although Mr. Simpson, I understand, owes his election to farmers' votes and poses as distinctively a representative of the farming interest, he has paid but little attention to this department and its work. I am quite satisfied that the better he becomes acquainted with it the more he will appreciate it. This has been my experience in the case of all those who have sought a more intimate knowledge of the work we are doing and how we do it."

MR. SIMPSON'S INDIFFERENCE.

"Speaking of this apparent indifference on the part of Mr. Simpson, I learn from Dr. Wiley, chief chemist of this department, to my very great surprise, that although one of the most interesting experiments being conducted under the auspices of this department is now being carried on at his own home, Medicine Lodge (I refer to the very successful experiment of the application of alcohol in the manufacture of sugar from sorghum, an experiment fraught with important and valuable results to the farmers of Mr. Simpson's own state), he himself, so Dr. Wiley informs me, has never taken the pains to personally visit and inspect our works at Medicine Lodge, a very marked contrast, by the way, to the active interest of Senator Plumb, who, during last season, spent two entire days in the laboratory and in the field with our representative in charge. There are, no doubt, many things which I would like to see undertaken by the department which Congress has not yet provided for, and I am satisfied, as I said before, that the better its work is known the more it will be appreciated, and its scope enlarged accordingly."

"As to the quality of the seed sent out by the department," Secretary Rusk continued, "it would be strange indeed if, out of some six million packages, there were not found a few that did not germinate, or that a few should be misplaced, so that seeds sent out labeled one thing should prove to be the seed of something else. Such a mistake will occasionally occur when millions of these things are handled by a large force of persons engaged temporarily for this purpose--we have no other means of doing it--and one such case generally affords our newspaper fellows a few hundred paragraphs."

A TIME-WORN ACCUSATION.

"In regard to the conveying of statistical information to boards of trade and others, ahead of its communication to the farmers, that is a time-worn accusation, and one which, I confess, I had heard so often that when I came to this department I was a little in doubt whether some such practice were not in existence. One of the first things I did was to study out the course by which this information was given to the public, and I tell you if anybody can discover anything approaching impropriety or favoritism in the distribution of our crop reports he must be a

smarter man than I am. Our cotton reports are given out at noon on the 10th of each month, a report being handed to myself and to the representative of the Associated Press simultaneously, and the reason for giving it out this early is that if it did not reach our own producers that day the advantage would be to the foreign purchasers, who would receive the information before the producers could take advantage of it. Reports on other crops are not given out until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, too late for the evening papers, but reaching through the Associated Press agent, who takes them at that hour, all the morning papers in the country. At the same time that the brief telegraphic synopsis is placed in the hands of the press association, a more extended synopsis, specially prepared for the information of farmers, is sent down to the public printer and by him printed with such expedition that we begin to mail them the following day. These synopses are mailed directly to every farmer that asks for one, as well as to all agricultural papers, the number sent out amounting to 130,000 to 135,000 copies at this writing. The plan was adopted at my suggestion since coming into office. Everything is done that we can devise to place the farmers in possession at the earliest possible moment of all information relative to the crops which would be of service to them as sellers, and I am very much gratified to be able to state that our efforts in this direction have been generally and favorably recognized throughout the country by farmers and farmers' organizations. Whatever be the outcome of Mr. Simpson's resolution I trust it will not fail in enlarging his own information regarding the work of the department of agriculture."

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

John A. Hoge, of Burton, is at the Bohler.

Mrs. Springer, of Grafton, is at the Windsor.

John Becker, the South side jeweler, is laid up with the grip.

Mrs. Corbett, of Waverley, stopped at the Windsor last night.

Miss Bessie Lamb has returned to school at Washington, D. C.

W. W. Downing, advance agent of the "Lieber Franz" company, is at the McLure.

Mrs. Mary Hannah Warner, of Knoxville, Tenn., is the guest of her father, Mr. D. C. List, of North Main street.

B. S. Pope and W. K. McIntosh, of Parkersburg; E. J. Slater, of St. Mary's, and F. M. Dowling, of Beecham, registered at the Stamm house yesterday.

Mrs. Gus Spates and children, of Clarksburg, passed through the city yesterday on their way home to Clarksburg from a visit to Mrs. Spates' parents at Washington, Penn.

Word was received by their friends in this city yesterday that Capt. Thomas Golden, Mrs. Genevieve Golden and Mr. H. A. Stansbury, of San Francisco, the two latter sister and brother of Mrs. Michael Reilly, of this city, are all lying very ill with the grip at their home in that city.

Percy H. Hall, a member of and traveling for the hat firm of Hall & Co., New York, is at the McLure house. Mr. Hall, who is the possessor of a magnificent bass voice, entertained some friends with a choice selection of songs at the McLure house last night. He is a member of the Mendelssohn glee club, a crack vocal organization of New York City.

The hosts of friends of Lieut. Braunsreuther will rejoice to learn that he passed the examination for which he was summoned to Washington, both physical and mental, with the highest honors, and that this result assures him the next place on the list of lieutenants for promotion in the United States navy. He telegraphed yesterday that he expected to leave Washington for this city last night.

A Faro Pull.

Mike O'Neal's faro bank was pulled last night. Officers Lukens, Creighton, Wilkie, Buch and Porter walked into the side entrance of the Buffet saloon, in the Register office alley, walked up the stairs until they came to the lookout door. The colored cerberus was in the front room watching the game and didn't see the hand of Officer Lukens, which was pushed through the hole in the door and reached down and unlocked the spring latch. Four men besides the proprietor of the game were arrested.

Rapid Rise at Grafton.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. GRAFTON, W. VA., Jan. 13.--Raining at intervals all day. River rising rapidly, but not expected to reach a dangerous stage.

The Monongahela at Fairmont.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. FAIRMONT, W. VA., Jan. 13.--River twenty feet and rising; raining.

The Cheat at Rowlesburg.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. ROWLESBURG, W. VA., Jan. 14.--Water 8 feet 7 inches; rising slowly and still raining.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats, The River Interests.

The river was rising last night, with 7 1/2 feet of water in the channel.

The reports from above were:

Warren--1 foot 7 inches; weather light rain.

Brownsville--19 feet and rising; weather rainy.

Morgantown--17 feet and rising; weather, rain.

Pittsburgh--11 feet, and rising 7 inches an hour; raining.

The Hudson will pass down for Cincinnati at 8 a. m. to-day.

The Courier will leave for Parkersburg to-day at 11:30 a. m.

The Liberty arrived from and departed for Clarington on time yesterday. The Den Hur did not show up at all, and no reason for her absence was known.

A FASHION writer says the "leg-of-mutton sleeves have not proved successful," but Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup still continues to be used by everybody for coughs or colds.

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LOTS OF ACCIDENTS.

But None of Them Amount to Very Much--A Few Limbs Broken Was the Worst.

There were a number of accidents reported yesterday, most of them due to the icy sidewalks, and it was wonderful that none of them was more serious, considering the danger that pedestrians encountered at every foot of their way.

A two-year-old child of William Myrtle, living in Alley 14, fell and broke its arm.

George Otten, an employee of Beltz, Flading & Co., had three fingers and a thumb cut off by a circular saw.

Jesse Dixon, a well known colored man, had his head badly cut yesterday by being struck by a falling board on the head.

Mrs. Connors, the daughter of Mr. Pastoring, slipped and fell yesterday near the corner of Forty-third and Jacob streets. She struck her head on the pavement, and was dazed for awhile. She was assisted to her home. The fall was painful but will have no serious effects.

Miss Bessie Carr, who lives on Thirtieth street above Jacob, fell on the sidewalk late night before last and broke her left arm.

An Italian with an unpronounceable name fell down the elevator at Pollock's flour mill yesterday afternoon and was supposed to be dangerously hurt. The city patrol wagon was called, but by the time it arrived the man had gotten up and walked out of the mill. He complained of a severe pain in his breast, but was otherwise unhurt, so far as he could tell.

HIS WIFE RAN AWAY.

A Frenchman in Search of His Better Half and Her Convict Lover.

Yesterday Joseph Maey, a Frenchman, a coalminer employed at Wellsburg, came to the city and told the police a story of the faithlessness of his wife. He said that in last July he had married Annie Stevens, of Steubenville, and they were living happily in Wellsburg, until a few days ago one William McKnight, of Martin's Ferry, was released from the Ohio penitentiary, and came to Wellsburg. He found Maey's house and came there to stay, without any special invitation from the husband, but without special objection till Maey found him and Mrs. Maey in bed together one night. He had them arrested, but he says her relatives all testified that she would not do anything wrong, and the squire discharged them. The next day he found McKnight embracing his wife and prepared to get ready to shoot them. That night they disappeared, and Maey heard that they had come here. He first tried Martin's Ferry, and not getting any satisfaction, he came here. The police took him to Squire Phillips, but as he could not make affidavit to any offense committed in this county, and the offenders had already been tried for their deeds in Brooke county, the justice could not issue a warrant, and the Frenchman left with the impression that the only way an injured husband could get satisfaction in this country was to shoot the trespasser on his rights.

A REPORTED REMOVAL.

A. J. Sweeney & Son Said to Have Constructed to Locate a Plant at Harvey.

A Chicago papersays that the Harvey Land association has just closed a contract which provides for the removal of the manufacturing interests of A. J. Sweeney & Son from Wheeling, W. Va., to the town of Harvey. This company is engaged in the manufacture of plate glass machinery, traveling cranes, rolling mill and steel works machinery, nail cutting and rolling machinery and structural and architectural iron. The company, by the terms of its agreement with the Harvey Land association, agrees to locate a plant which will employ 300 men at a minimum annual payroll of \$180,000. The company has been allotted as a site the five-acre tract lying between the Grand Trunk railroad on the south, the Calumet Terminal railway on the north, Lincoln street on the east and Robey street on the west. This land and a bonus of \$30,000 is one of the considerations which tempted the company to decide on its removal. One of the members of the firm of A. J. Sweeney & Son is connected with the Westinghouse Electric Company. Plans have been drawn for the new plant, which is to be built at once. Three buildings, in all 160 feet wide and 350 feet long, have been provided for. These are to be of brick, one story high, with center lifts for the purpose of giving suitable light service.

Merchant Tailors' Meeting.

The merchant tailors' exchange held its annual meeting in the parlors of the Behler hotel last night. No business of importance was transacted, but the general talk was about the prosperous year the tailors have had. After the mutual congratulations had been passed the gentlemen adjourned to the dining room. An elegant banquet had been prepared by Mr. Behler, and full justice was done to it by the Knights of the Goose. Mayor Seabright and other gentlemen delivered eloquent speeches, and the evening passed amid much merriment.

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETINGS.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fort Henry Club, for the election of directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before them, will be held at the Club house on MONDAY, JANUARY 18, at 8 o'clock p. m. J. E. BELLEVILLE, Secretary. [jan12]

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Wheeling, of Wheeling, W. Va., will be held at the banking house on THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1892, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of Directors and the transaction of any other business that may come before them. G. LAMB, Cashier. Wheeling, W. Va., January 1, 1892. [jan12]

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